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Group Art Unit: 1713

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REQUEST TO COMPLETE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is therefore requested to correct this discrepancy and issue a corrected Notice of Allowance.

☐ The priority document filed \_\_\_\_\_ has not been acknowledged by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Acknowledgment of this priority document is respectfully requested.

- ☒ The Form PTO-1449 submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement(s) filed on October 3, 2003, has not yet been returned. It is therefore respectfully requested that this form(s) be returned as soon as possible indicating consideration of the document(s) mentioned thereon. A copy of the Second Information Disclosure Statement and form PTO-1449 is attached for the convenience of the Examiner

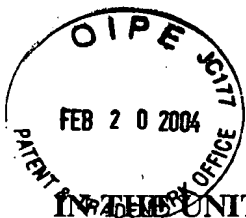
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicants hereby submit certain documents cited in a Chinese Office Action dated July 25, 2003 in the corresponding Chinese application in conformance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

In addition, applicants cite herein the documents identified in the International Search Report in the corresponding PCT application (these documents are identified with an asterick). Copies of these documents are not provided as they were forwarded to the USPTO by the International Bureau.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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